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Tuesday Aug 14 - 1906

I have not been at all pleasant out today, but this afternoon my family had a tea party all by ourselves and had all sorts of things. My little one loves to be all alone with Mama any time. You seem to have a good time with Mama always.

You have been a dear little girl today and have helped to cheer and sweeten comfort. Mama lots.
Wednesday Aug 13 -

It has been very rainy and bad outside today and my little sister could not go out any. You played inside all day. This evening Auntie Sopher came to bid Mama good by for she is going back home tomorrow. You will miss little Dorothy very much for you have had such good times together. Mama loves to see you and she play together.
Thursday Aug 16

It has been lovely outside today. Our little niece, girl came did not come today so my nurse alone. Mamma enjoyed it. We sang much and enjoyed it too. We had another of our famous tea parties. This afternoon and you seemed quite happy over it all and so did little brother. We were very rested tonight too after such a busy day.
Friday Aug 17 -

You have been a dear good little girl today and Maum has loved you much.

Uncle Cassin came down and spent the afternoon with us. He did have such a good time. You needed one and spent part of the afternoon with Blanchie. You came home tired and hungry. You went to bed early and so did Aunt Ida who has been with us all of this week.
Saturday Aug 18

Mama has had lots to do today and now are planning to go to the lake to spend a week and it is very warm too.

You are simply delighted over the idea of going for an outing and he with Cousin Helen for a whole week. You will have a good time. May know, and it will do Mama good too for she gets out a very little too.
Sunday Aug 19

It is very warm, so warm that you and little brother went to the Hotel bare armed and low necked to dinner. We could hardly wait to get home and get our dresses changed. You have been very happy with your Papa all this day. Aunt Bernice and Uncle Henry have been here all the afternoon too and we had a very pleasant day among ourselves.
Monday Aug 20 -
This has been a
day lovely to be reunited
on my little farm
and you rode nineteen
miles to Song Lake
in a barn and you
and all the children
were deathly tried out
when you reached the
Lake. You were
very much delighted
however with the
water and were very
ready for a good
swim and lots of
rest and sleep.
Tuesday Aug 21

Last night we did not sleep very well among any of us. I think we were too tired and the beds were all new and too many in a bed. You, Papa and Maune all slept in two and a bed crooked.

We had a good laugh most of the night. It was a new experience for Papa and Maune and we did not sleep very much. You slept much better than Maune though. You could
Wednesday Aug 28 -
You had lots of fun today. Marva took you into very shallow water and let you and little brother ride. The very first thing that Russell did was to slip and fall into the water. He did not get frightened as much as he tried it once and once again. You did look so sweet-in-the-water. Marva will never forget it, too.
Today you went out for a ride in the boat with Mama. You seemed to enjoy it very much, only being frighted over the start-tocking of the boat. Your little motor did not like it at all. Mama went inside the water for a while too. It was fun too. A thing Mama had never done before. I do not seem to like it in the water as well as you do my little maid.
Friday Aug 24 —

Papa came down to stay all night with us last night and he gave brother and Mama a nice buggy ride this morning while you were still asleep. He says he cannot come again until Sunday. So we will miss their coming much.

You have enjoyed the horsehoe and your garden tools today very much. Mama is glad she bought them to you.
Saturday Aug 25-

Today your dear little brother frightened us almost to death for he fell into the lake and had gone under the second time before anyone saw him. Maurice occurred out getting dinner when it happened. Aunt Baltha came to his rescue. Then just before six o’clock you fell in too. You stipped from the dock or boat ladder and were frightened truly.
Sunday Aug 26

Papa and Uncle Hugh came to the Lake and retin mining and will stay untill known mining. It has been a very disagreeable day. It has ruined as hard as it could from all of this day and has made it very unpleasant at the cottage and Lake.

You were as good a little girl as one could wish to see. You were very tired toward night and fell asleep in Mr. Bean's arms.
Monday Aug 27

Today we left the Lake just one week
in drawing here. Then
You went on the train early with
Papa and Maria
Russell down town
with Aunt Bessie
This afternoon. You
were so glad to get
started for home.
You were homesick
for you little playmates
and for your play things.
Maria was very
glad to get back home
to her work and things.
Tuesday Aug 25
This morning all the little girls wanted you to come and play with them. You finally decided to go over and play with Margaret, Dave and Blanche on the stirs before leaving. You had had a long day and are very tired. Both in body and action.
You lost weight at the Sunk Territorial and are beginning to gain again now.
Wednesday Aug 21

This morning you promised Papa that you would not ask Mamma to go and play with any of the little neighbors girls and you have kept your word to him very well. For you have tried to please Mamma in every way possible and Mamma feels my proud of this day for her little girl. We will see whether you can do as well tomorrow.
Thursday Aug 30

I guess my little girl wrote of you murdered today. Manne thought you were good yesterday and you have been even better today. Your drum has a real little help to Manne today. Manne does not miss our little more girl at all and you seem much more contented not to have her. Your little friend


Friday Aug 31

This has been a most beautiful day and my little girl has been a dear good little thing all of the time. You have tried as nearly as any one could to do as Mama would have you. You seem so much better natural since our little nurse girl has gone too. This evening Mama took you and little brother up down to meet Papa. This was quite a treat for you both as it has been some time since we were last here.
Saturday Sept. 1

This has been another very warm day, but you have been another good little girl today. You helped Maudie so much about the housework and carrying for little brother. I do wish your papa could have seen you scrub the back path. You were determined to try and you looked like a little women.

Then this afternoon we went up town for a few minutes. You and brother were very tired after twelve.
Sunday - Sept. 2 -

We did have a very happy and pleasant day together today for Papa took us over to Woodland to see our people there. Aunt Bassie and Uncle Harry went too so we had a good time. You sat on the front seat both going and coming and you enjoyed driving and watching the horses very much. You took a nap both on the way over and at Uncle home and yet you came home such a tired and sleepy little maid. We were all as tired as you.
Monday Sept. 3

Today my little girl looked, felt, and acted tired. I think your trip yesterday was a little too much for the little girl. You look a map after dinner and then you felt much better. This being labor day your Papa was at home all the afternoon and he gave you most of his time. Brother and I took a ride with Aunt Bessie and then we went to Grandpa while you and Papa took a trip up town and back.
Tuesday Sept 4-

This forenoon you entertained yourself in many ways, and yet you Optional most of your time to living for that was what Mr. Wald did and you are never quite so happy as when you help me out just a little. Then after you nap you went over to visit Blanchin for a little while and came home very tired. You complained of your legs hurting clear up you said. Wanda knows you played too hard.
Wednesday Sept 6th

This has been a big day for you and for Mama. It has been
and Convention day.

Mama took you and trolly early this morning
and you saw the parade.

This pleased you and

tried you too so that
you were glad to get

back and get to rest.

Mama loves to do
carry things to please
and make her little
ones happy. Mama
hopes you may always have the girl
loving as you have one.
Thursday Sept 6 -

Today has been another quite day for you and brother
Maurie has not
been out - and there
has been no one in.
You and brother have
played very nicely
all day though he
has brot - felt still
well. Maurie hopes
a good night rest
ning and he and
brother both feel very
much better. You I
are enjoying this
evening playing with
Papa very much.
Friday Sept. 7

This has been a great
day for you and you
have had lots of fun.
There were very many
of your little friends
in this afternoon. Mary
had a caller who lives
in New York City and
sees Uncle George and
Fred quite often. You
sent your love to both
Uncles by train very
quickly. Then you ran
and played again while
Mary ran up town
to do some ironing and then
we came home to get
suffer for Papa.
Saturday Sept. 8

Mama has been very busy today making her last arrangements to be gone for some little time. We hope if all is well to start for Youngs Voolker early Monday morning. You have been very dear about helping Mama in many ways to get ready for the trip. You have on many errands for her today and Mama loves her dear little meat heartful very much too. You are so good to Mama.
Sunday Sept. 9-

There has much happen
today to take up. Mama
decided. There have been
very many last things
to be done before Mama
leaving tomorrow and
there she had Company
nearly all day. This
you seemed to rejoice
in and had a big time.

After a busy hard day
for Mama we went to
bed about ten o'clock
and hope to start for
Grandpa tomorrow,
moving early. You have
your doll dressed and ready.
Monday Sept 18 -

This has been a clay long to be remembered by my little some girl. At eight steam moving we were one on our resry to the train, after a stop from eleven to two o'clock at Austin. Servic at Grand Rapids we moved on to Reed City. And Bertha was at the train to meet us, and when we reached their house after our greetings were over we all walked into the yard and Grandma had some lovely flowers and plants and you stood among them and exclaimed. We drove so glad & came here over and over again.
Tuesday Sept. 11—

It was a great time to see Grandpa meet you. He had never seen either one of you before. I did us all good. He says it makes him feel old to see you little ones.

Today Grandpa hauled the horses and we drove to see the state fish ponds. You did enjoy it so much to see the hundreds of fish of all sizes in the ponds. You felt the crunch of the head and it just delighted you and all the rest of us. Then we drove home and you sent the rest of the day with Papa in the yard.
Wednesday Sept 12th

It has grown much colder and my little girl has had to dress much warmer. Aunt Bertha drove up town this morning and so she took you along. This made you very happy and she said you were a very good girl too.

You came home with your hands full of good things. You do enjoy Grandpa's lovely apples and Mama thinks she never ate any better apples either. It makes Mama happy to see you both so looking up here.
Thursday Sept 13 -

This has been another big day for you my little girl for we took another long ride today. Mama and another cousin she has not seen for a great many years. She had never seen you and it did her lots of good to see you. You were very dear and sweet and good while we were there and it was lovely too. You do enjoy your romps with Stanley every night after school and I am afraid you and he will both miss them when you are repeated.
Friday Sept. 14.

Today you have seen several people and things you have never seen before. You saw your Great-Grandpa and it's the only living man you ever had. Then you saw a thresh machine at Grandpa that you had never seen before.

You and brother were both afraid of it as it came into the yard. But your eyes were soon opened and you went into the back yard with Aunt Betty to see at. And we made you some pop corn. Cum homes too.
Saturday Sept. 15th

How the time does fly here at Grandpa's. It seems as if we had only just come and here it is Saturday. We cannot let you little ones out much today for it is very cold.

But after Supper tonight we all went up home together, Grandpa and all. We all had some ice cream and soda together and then after Grandma had done her shopping we came home. You did enjoy walking the beach very much though you were quite delighted.
Sunday Sept 16 -

This morning we did have to rush around quite lively. Mama got you ready as soon as I could after breakfast and then we went to church. Every one seemed delighted over you and you enjoyed it too.

After dinner you and Uncle Stanley had a big laugh but Mama did not feel at all well so she kept very quiet. Papa had to see to all your and little brother's needs for this day.

Mama hopes she will feel better soon.
Monday Sept 17 -

This has been another
day in which Mamie
has had to keep very
quiet. The cousins Mamie
went to see the other day
Carmen and I sent the
clay with us. You
Aunt Bertha and Russell
took her to her house
about four miles with
Papa as the driver. Mamie
could not go as the
ride would have been
too much. Then you
came home and sent
your last happy evening
at Grandpa with Stanley.
Don't forget that I told
and Mam and you both to
take care for your teeth.
Tuesday Sept 15

You were roused out of bed rather early this morning for we were at the depot by eight o’clock. You did not enjoy going one bit. If you had such a big train before we had traveled an hour you wanted to go back again. You will miss them all very much for they were all so good to you and all of us. We stopped at Austin Springs again and then we came home and found every thing all right and went and met very true.
Wednesday Sept 19

Traveling made you little weak both weary and tired and cross. Today so neither you nor Mamma have felt at all well but perhaps tomorrow we will feel much better. And Bertha came down to see us and you were very glad to see her too. You took a nice long nap and are feeling down better tonight. Your little friend Blanchie and put all the money with you and Ethel Fuller came in a little while tonight.
Thursday Sept 20-

You and Russell do anything you play things so much since you have come back. They all seem new to you again and it does me good to see you. Papa was home the most of the afternoon and thin you simply did cry so much. Then how you could wrap up stairs and down and find sea every where. Your and brother both found you very tired at bed time however.
Friday Sept 21

My own girl yet
this forenoon with
Blanchin out in our
garden. You and she had
a big kiss. She brought
you an invitation to
her birthday party.

Tomorrow afternoon at
three o'clock. You will
take her a little head
of milk and will have
a big time no doubt.

You could scarcely
fall asleep thinking
and talking about it.
It will be a big day
for my little girl. I
know.
Saturday Sept. 22

This has been quite a big day for you my little spider. For you have been to another tea party. A birthday for your little friend Blanche. just across the way. You and she have had big time of late and there will be such fun for her and you.

You have been nearly sick with a cold for which I am very sorry and can not see how it
Sunday Sept 23 -

Another perfect day for you my little son. He certainly been today. You were taken by Grandpa himself to spend the day at the farm home together with brother Mama Papa and all the rest.

You did enjoy the ripe fruit so much and especially the grapes. Then Helen El Movis were both there and you all did have a most lovely day together. We came home early and had a good time at home for a little time before going to our beds before night.
Monday Sept. 24 -

Today Papa has been at home all of the day and has done quite a little around the yard & you and little brother have made the most of the time and have enjoyed the day more than you can say.

You are a great help to Mamma about helping to care for little brother for he is certainly a terrible mischief. You could not take your nap today because Papa ran in the yard so you were very tired tonight.
Tuesday Sept 23-

You have been almost, warm enough today for it has been simply terribly warm all of this day. You have such a hard cold too that it's almost more than you can do to keep yourself comfortable and good natured.

This afternoon while little brother was asleep and after you napped you read over and had a good nap with Blanchie. For the first time in your life you fell out of bed this afternoon. It frightened you and hurt you too terribly.
Wednesday Sept 26 -

21 has been much more comfortable for little folks today. My little ones were very happy together today. Playing in the sand this morning and running about the yard after your nap this afternoon.

You had a little play in the sun again while Kotter was asleep this afternoon with Blanchin, but as soon as he opened his eyes you were ready for lunch. Mamie has arranged you both nicely enough for your most formidable.
Thursday Sept 25 -

This has been a very pleasant day for my little ones. You did spend a very happy afternoon outside your sand pile. Then this noon Uncle Hanan came to dinner with us because it was his birthday. You and little brother were both very much delighted. You all ate a good dinner and had lots of fun after it, and then you both took a long nap. Mama found you both very much better rested after your good long nap.
Friday Sept 28-

A very lovely day it has been for my little Sona girl. You were at a little friend Blanchard when Aunt Bertha came but you were soon home and had a happy time over it. During the afternoon we entertained each other in many beautiful ways, and in the evening we went up town and had a bick from Papa. Aunt Bertha went very happy with us and we hope she will come come again.
Saturday Sept 29th -

It looked a little as though it might rain today, it was moving and yet it has turned out so lovely and such a happy day for your my little girl. Your little friend Elsie came in to see you for the first time since last spring. She spent the whole day with you and you all had a big time together. Aunt Ada came down this afternoon for a little talking and you enjoyed that too. And our Emma Johnson 1875.
Sunday Sept 30 -

My little son had the flu this yesterday and perhaps Mama would go to church with you and still missing found. Mama was very tired and almost unable to go but you went so muy disappointed that I didn't go after all. You had a lovely time in S. D. and Mama was very glad that she went. Then that afternoon we were very quiet so Mama became quiet rested.

You, brother and Papa took a walk this afternoon while. Mama wrote a few letters and then you came back
Monday Oct-1- 1900

This has been another very pleasant day and my little girl held a gold time this forenoon playing over in Blanchas yard. You came home and believe that times and the times for you to say you told Marie one and over again how much you loved her, this you hoped would make all things right for your leaving Russell and Marie alone all morning for other company. You are very thoughtful in that.
Tuesday Oct 12

This morning my little girl was very quiet at home playing with your little brother and she enjoyed it very much too. Then this afternoon there were no less than ten little men in the yard playing with you and you did all both so sweet together and you all did have such a good time. Did Mama lots of your to match your play.
Wednesday Oct-3-

This forenoon my little girl had a big time playing with your little friends on our lawn. A band came by the house and this was about the most striking thing that happened this morning for you little ones. Then after your nap you went over to Blancherie for a little time then you all came home and little Helen came down and then for a big time.

She was here for about a half an hour and you made the very most of the time. Mamma loves to see you have lots of fun.
Thursday Oct. 7

This has been sort of a trial day for my little girl. You have been playing with some of the girls who have told you about the fair and you think you ought to go. Papa has not the time and Mamie does not care to go without him so you have stayed at home.

You have had such a jolly time with the little ones around here this day and it has done lots to help you forget your troubles.
Friday Oct. 5—

You have been at Blanchard's most of the day and we had company to dinner to the perfect satisfaction of your little ones. Then this afternoon there was again great trouble because my little girl could not go to the fair. But Papa made it all right by giving you lots of good things.

You loved us all as well as ever when you had time and had forgotten about the fair.
Saturday Oct 6 -

This has been a very busy day for my little girl. You have had lots of fun delivering the rum yeles.

It has been very warm for several days but I think after these showers it will be cooler and perhaps very cold.

You have done so good natured today.

You have told Marie so many times that you looked her, and that you had the best Marie of any little girl.
Sunday Oct 7 -

This has been the
day you like best of all
for two reasons. One
because you do not
like a nap on Sunday
and the other because you
have Papa at home all
of the whole day. You
and Papa went to church
and in hand this
money and Mama and
little brother stayed at
home because Mama
did not feel at all
well. You came home
with two little papers
and Mama read you
all the stories which
enjoyed very much.
Monday Oct 8 -

This afternoon my little girlie went playing in
the yard with little brother boy. You did
play very nicely together.

Papaw ran home a little of the time and
still pleased you all the

more. Then it's often
now after you had a
good refreshing nap. And
Curly came and took
us all over to Grandpa

to see Grandma who
was very down hearted
because Grandpa & Aunt-
Ida left for Detroit this

morning. You did all your
cold to make them happy.
Tuesday Oct. 9th

This morning my little friend came before you had opened your eyes. She was all ready for play. She ate her breakfast with you a second time and you had lots of fun. Then at dinner time she went home. Then after your nap you went into the room so you girls were together the most of the day. You are beginning to need each other in order to be used. Keep happy. Mama is glad you love each other.
Wednesday Oct 10

This has been another very lonely day and my little ones have been very happy and good natured too. And this helps Maude lots.

Then this afternoon we went over to Aunt Beniza and spent the afternoon there as Grandpa was there and we wanted to help her make her cheerful and happy.

Then Aunt Carolyn came over with Helen and Morris and this helped to complete the whole thing.
Thursday Oct. 11 —

Another lovely day for my little Rose. For many none as nice as little my little girl shall have. You and brother and your little friends had a big time out in the sand, then after your nap you took your little brother by the hand and started over to your little Blancher house and played thus forever little time. Nancy loves to have your letters for she is a good little girl,
Friday Oct 12-

these days are neat
for little folks I think.
You were out and
had a good time today.
This morning you were
away the most of the
review and Mama was
glad to have you for it.
Made you so happy.

Then this afternoon you
took another ride with
Aunt Bessie. She gave
us all a ride which
made us very happy.
She is so good to take
us so often. We hope
to go and it does us
good.
Saturday Oct 13 -

This has been a most lovely fall day. Mamma has been out in the yard doing a little weeding and very little folks were there.

We did get such a terrible appetite that our dinner lasted just good. Then this afternoon Margo Haight came and took you and brothers over there to spend the day. Afternoon you did enjoy so much and it made a pleasant influence for you to be sure.
Sunday Oct 14.

This has been the most beautiful Sunday of all I do think. It has been a great day for my little ones too. Early this morning Uncle Herman came and took us all over to the farm and such a good time as you did have. You played football and ate apples and peas and all the good things of the farm and it did Mama and me to see you have such a good time. We miss Grandpa and Aunt Ade very much.
Monday Oct 16

This morning Papa brought my little girl into the kitchen early, and you became very tired toward noon. But you good long nap just made my little dear feel very much better. Then after you and little brother opened your eyes you felt very much better and Aunt Bassie gave us all a very nice ride. You were as happy about it as little brother. It made us all feel very much rested and refreshed. I hope a good girl on the ride.
Tuesday Oct 16 -

This has been a cold day and my lettuce girl could not play outside with and even wearing mittens and still you did not enjoy this afternoon except your nap your little friend Blanchie came once and you spent the time in your play room, which was much better than playing outside in the cold today. Mama hopes it will not stay cold.
Wednesday Oct 17.

Well my little girl
the weather is getting
warmer again and I
think you are going
to have lots of fun
still full outside. It
will be nice for you
and maybe Jon for it.

You look a good long
nap and then played
out-in the yard greatly.
You begged that
Papa to take you up
with him- with him
but- they he did not care
to do on you might- take sleep.
Thursday Oct 18 -

You were a dear little girl today and so was your little brother. Mamee took you and brother upstairs tonight after her time. Pap and this first did please you more than I can say. You do enjoy seeing the brightest streets more than almost any thing else.

Mamee loves to take you too because you are so good and enjoy it so much.
Friday Oct 19 -

This morning you played long and hard and had lots of real good fun. Then after your nap you did enjoy seeing the man in the yard trim the trees.

It was just lots of fun for you and how delighted you were when the branches and leaves came rushing down and to see the children come flocking in to play among them. This just was lots for you - for my little ones.
Saturday Oct 20 -

This has been Maxine's birthday and my little girl has had a big time. You spent the afternoon at Marguerite's and took supper with her. You were there while Maxine went up home to do a little shopping. Then after you came home Maxine you and brother had a big romp and a good time all around. It's been a very big day for you.
Sunday Oct 21 -

This has been a day as no can know but few more like. Simply perfect. Then this afternoon Aunt Berrie with Mama out for a ride. You are playing hide and go seek with several of your little friends and Papa and I think you will have simply a very big time as Papa will help you no doubt.
Monday Oct. 22 —

It has not been very pleasant outside today as it had been to near raining.

But my little girl has made the most of her time as she always does. You were outside this morning and this afternoon we were going up to Aunt Canary to see Grandmama and then we were disappointed on that account of the rain. We will try it again some time.
Tuesday Oct. 23 -
This has been the
bigest day. You have
had a lot of fun.
Mama let you go
Early this morning
to visit Helen. You
were there all day
and Mama came up
this afternoon and brought
brother. You were glad
to see him and he
was very glad to
see you. He gave you
some of his best.
Dr. did Mama good
see you and him both.
Wednesday (Oct. 24)

You did have a big

time this morning

playing out with your

cute friends today

and also with your

cute brothers. You

slept so late this

afternoon that you couldn't

get up to sleep early

enough tonight. Mama

tried to go into

your room and

blow the sides of your

cute little brothers

before you would

open your little eyes.
Thursday Oct. 25

You and brother John
write a little twine
in your word book
today. Then this
afternoon you took your
little cousin Helen
and Marie here to
send the sugar
Grandpa and Grandma
were here to dinner
with us, and also
Uncle Herman. You
did have a big time
You were very tired
little ones too then
bed time came.
Friday Oct 24 -

This has been another lovely day and my little girl has had a big dinner this morning. Then after your nap today Aunt Bessie came over and took us all out for a long ride this you did enjoy as there were so many turning leaves and it looked so cheery, Then when you came home Papa had a preview of your little friend Dorothy.
Saturday Oct. 28-

This has been another big day for you for little Maudy came to spend the afternoon with you while Mamie had to go up town and you stayed with Maudy. This always does please you more than anything else. You have tired enough and Mamie loves you more when you are tired than any other time.
Sunday Oct 29 -

This has been another lovely day and my little Sona girl started to church with her Mama and Papa stayed at home with little sister. They had a good time while we were gone and they had dinner all ready and you and Mama are very tired and bringing too.
Monday Oct 30 -

This morning my little girl and boy had a good time in the play room as it quietly poured down and this afternoon Blanchie and Flanorin came over to play with you and you had a big time too then this evening you went to bed early and while you were fast-asleep Maurne and Papa entertained some friends and we also had a good time.

Aunt Bertha and Uncle Herman were here and stayed all day to visit us and we did enjoy it.
Tuesday Oct 31

This has been a very happy farewell for you, my little girl at least. Aunt Berta was here all the morning. You do enjoy her company so much as she is full of fun. Then Uncle Hansen was here to dinner too. You and he had a good romp and then made you tired and sleepy and ready for a good rest some after your supper tonight.

Mama loves you for you have been a good girl.
Wednesday Nov. 1

Mamma did lots of different kinds of work today. Some you did not enjoy as much as some other and yet you did try to help Mamma as best you could. Then this afternoon you did try so hard for Mamma to let you go over to Margaret's for a little while which I did. You came home just in time for supper and very tired too. It did Mamma good to see you.
Thursday Nov 2 -

It has not been as pleasant as it might have been today as it has been so cold. But my little one, has been out down among many many. You did not stay out long time but you did get the fresh air and think was very good for Marcus little girl. This evening it was very unpleasant so my little girl and Marcus stayed in very closely. You and little brother did get to sleep very early too.
Friday-Nov-3

This has been a big day for my little girl for you have been over to play with Black all the afternoon and that friend of hers all the time. So you are getting lots out of this day. Then tonight you went to see the Army first political street parade. You did think it was simply immense. You had the best lines you thought you had ever had.
Saturday Nov. 4

Mamma is always very busy on Saturday mornings. She does many errands to keep many busy and busy little men are too. You did try to help Mamma in many ways. Then this afternoon we went up town to do a little shopping. Mamma could not put off. You were delighted to go and Mamma was to buy you a tied little girl and buy tonight give enough.
Sunday Nov. 3
It was a very pleasant day both for my sisters and myself. We had almond horns all day to my house over to the farm and sent the albuns with Grandma and Grandpa our way. You did lots to make the times
funny fly for Grandma and it did please us all to see her so happy.
You were happy to think you had Papa all very tod and such a nice mile.
Monday Nov. 6.

My little girl felt very badly yesterday and thou could not yet get to sleep for her influenza. So you were very tired by bed time. You went for the first time alone to your little friend Dorothy's house and found the house exactly. Then after that Papa sent the bus up and it took you down to see the Democratic parade. It was simply a wonder to you.
Tuesday Nov 2
A very cold day today and not at all fit for little ones to go outside any more. Stayed in very closely today. You could not take your map out again today but you never mind and about it when your very little brother never fails to take his. He can sincerely wait for the time to come for him to nap. You were most dear to me even today.
Wednesday Nov. 8.

This was a big day for you and little Nettie again for Cousin Alice and Aunt-Carrie and Aunt-Bertie came in this afternoon and Uncle Darren came riding. Then after tea Marcie drove you and took you downtown to Aunties. Morganthaler to spend the evening while Marcie went to an entertainment at the church. You played with Aunties so nicely and we were happy.
Thursday Nov 9

You and Russell played very nicely inside today. A slight snow has fallen and still has more than delighted you and brother. You did think it simply fine. You could hardly understand that there was not enough for snowballs or sleighing. Then this afternoon after your nap you and Blackie and James went out into the snow for a little while and you thought it very fine.
Friday Nov. 18 -
This morning my
sister has had quite
a little bug to
reach Russell to keep
her playroom in
order. You could not
make them understand.
Mama let you take
a short walk this afternoon
and then while Aunt
Carrie and Russell
and Mama took a
ride you went up to
Aunt Carrie and
played with Helen.
You did have a most
delightful time.
Saturday Nov. 11

My little girl and boy have been at home with Mama all day today. Aunt-Bestie came down a little while this morning and you were glad to see her. Then this afternoon you went out-riding down hill with Mark Crell and spent a little time there. You and he read stories to you said for a long time. You liked the stories, Aunt-Bestie you said.
Sunday, Nov. 14-

This has been another very lovely day outside. The sun has been shining most lovely all of this day. You asked little Merle Bell to dinner today and then his Mamma and Papa came over and spent the afternoon with us. We all had a good time. We mostly did blowing bubbles and eating candy and popcorn and apples all this afternoon.
Monday Dec. 12th

This has been rather a hard day for my little maid as Mamma was sick, still moving and could not be as bright and happy as usual, but you seemed to be equal to the situation, and helped lots by telling Mamma to sit right down and you would do all the work.

You and brother are very good today. Papa could not give me this evening as it was pay day and the men huntershoot as usual. You and Blanchard had a ride this afternoon and enjoyed it so much.
Tuesday Nov 3

This forenoon my little ones played about nicely and then fifteen Papa had a carpenter here and you said better stand on a chair watching them and leaving your little finger marks on the glass of the door. You were more than delighted when Uncle Frank came tonight. You put your arms around his neck and kissed him again and again. Mama loves to see you know your Uncle with all your head.
Wednesday Nov. 14

This funny, funny man has been quite busy getting a quite dinner. You are beginning to think as your Pops that it's the only kind of meat. Then this morning Uncle Frank came again and said, 'just did please my dinner, just did please my dinner.' This evening man took you to the first stupendous entertainment and you were simply fascinated and so humane. That said walks about 10.
Thursday Nov 13th

This has been one of the most lovely of days. I am so glad for it. It has been someone's birthday. I can't imagine how happy we all were to think someone had a birthday. Papa said his little girl turned one of them as it was necessary and you were good and helped all day, which helped.

Muriel too.